

## City Manager's Report

#### CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

April 16, 2021



JOIN US FOR A POP-UP PICNIC TO GET TO KNOW YOUR COMMUNITY AND CELEBRATE DIVERSITY WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS AND LEADERS IN HB!

#### **FEATURING:**

Conversations with local representatives

Performers in dance, music, and spoken word

Family activities - rock painting, crafts, and an art wall

**Exhibitor booths** 

#### **REMINDERS:**

Five food trucks will be on site for you to purchase food!

Bring your own picnic blankets and chairs!

Please wear a face mask and social distance.

Please join us this Sunday, April 18 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for a CommUNITY Pop-Up Picnic! Get to know your community and celebrate our diversity together in beautiful Central Park! This event will feature local elected leaders, food trucks, exciting performances, fun family activities, and informational booths hosted by local non-profit organizations. Just remember to bring your own picnic blankets and chairs, so you can enjoy a beautiful day outdoors with your community. #HateFreeHB

## Wyland Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation!

Join Mayor Kim Carr in reducing Huntington Beach's water consumption and energy usage, and help our City win the title of the "Most Water Wise" in the WYLAND National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation! The challenge, held every April, is a non-profit competition that asks U.S. city leaders to inspire their residents to commit to reducing water and energy usage through a series of informative, online pledges.

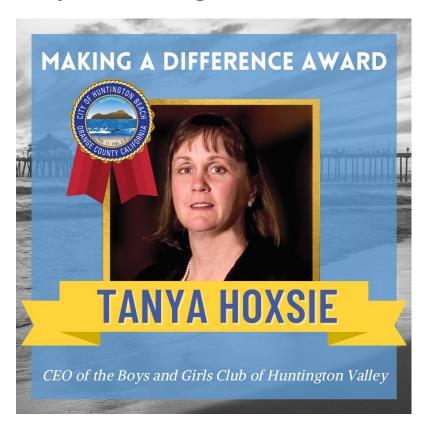
Not only will you help the planet, but you'll also be entered in a raffle to win prizes like \$3,000 toward your Home Utility Bills and home improvement gift cards!

Take part in this friendly competition against other cities in the nation by signing the quick, easy, and free pledge at <a href="mayertallowerpledge.com">mywaterpledge.com</a> can vote daily through April 31!





## Mayor's Making a Difference Award—Tanya Hoxsie



The City of Huntington Beach's "Making a Difference" award sheds light on the efforts of leaders and volunteers who make positive changes within our community, and Tanya Hoxsie is an exemplary recipient.

Tanya has been a leader in the Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley communities since 1979. Her career began at the Girls Club in HB, which later merged with the Boys Club of Huntington Valley. Today, she is the CEO of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley, which is the largest youth services organization in our community and a recognized leader in the field.

During her tenure, Tanya led the organization to serve the needs of children and families in the community. She led numerous capital campaigns to establish permanent facilities that directly serve our residents, including the Learning Center Child Development Preschool, the ClubHouse Academy, and the Kingston Technology Family Campus at Golden West College.

Tanya's dedication to giving children access to the very best programs shines through every area of the club, which has won national, state, and local awards for excellence. Tanya also serves as a leader in the non-profit community, teaching non-profit management at California State University, Long Beach. She previously served on the Boys and Girls Clubs of America's President's Advisory Council to shape programming nationwide. She also serves on the Orange Coast Memorial Medical Center's grants committee, United Way Task Forces, the Rotary Club, and other organizations.

We applaud Tanya for her amazing leadership and impact in the community!

## Pacific City to Host Earth Day-Themed Kids Club April 20



Pacific City, an open-air, lifestyle shopping, dining and entertainment destination across from the iconic Huntington Beach Pier in Huntington Beach, invites children and their families to attend a special Earth Daythemed kids club event.

On Tuesday, April 20, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., the Pacific City PC Grommets kids club will hold a celebration that helps children learn to love and respect Earth and all its inhabitants. During the kids club event, which will be held on Level 2 near the big screen, there will be an education-packed live animal program presented by Pacific Animal Productions featuring several animal ambassadors that may include armadillos, parrots, rabbits, frogs, owls, tortoises, foxes, snakes and porcupines.

The program is a fun, safe and engaging way for children to learn about conservation and the natural world around them. Animal experts will be on hand to answer questions and take children on a learning safari. There will also be a reading of the book "Dear Earth ... From Your Friends in Room 5" and an egg-citing kids craft that teaches children how to make a bunny or frog from recycled egg cartons.

Space is limited and pre-registration is required. To learn more, visit <a href="http://ow.ly/DITi30rAVNr">http://ow.ly/DITi30rAVNr</a>, or to pre-register for this event, visit <a href="http://ow.ly/60DC30rBHdq">http://ow.ly/60DC30rBHdq</a>.

Tuesday, April 20 from 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Pacific City

Event Held on Level 2 Near the Big Screen 21010 Pacific Coast Highway Huntington Beach, CA 92648 https://www.gopacificcity.com

## **Hidden Huntington Beach - Season Two Now Airing!**

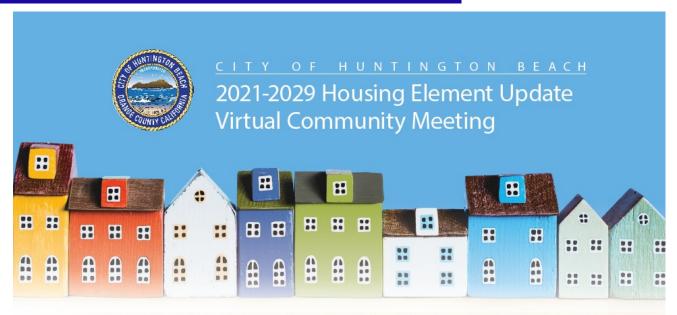
The year is 1910, and 15-year-old Clint Newland is about to lift off in a glider that he and his friend built. Moments later, he crashes off the hill located near his home, the Newland House (see the red arrow).

Would you like to learn more about the famed Newland House and the family who called it home? Find out more on Season Two of Hidden Huntington Beach, airing now!

# Where to Watch: - <u>youtube.com/cityofhb</u> on demand - HBTV Channel 3 daily at 12:00pm and 8:30pm



### **Community Development Department**



## The City of Huntington Beach is beginning the process of updating the 2021-2029 Housing Element!

Please join us remotely to learn about what happens when the City updates its Housing Element, why the City is required to do so, and what opportunities community members have to give feedback.

#### The virtual meeting will focus on:

- Housing needs and services within Huntington Beach
- · Opportunities to provide housing at all income levels in the community
- Identifying constraints to building and accessing housing
- Upcoming community engagement opportunities

WHEN: Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 6 PM

WHERE: A Zoom link will be available on the City's Housing Element Update webpage

WEBSITE: huntingtonbeachca.gov/housingelement

For questions, please contact: housingelement@surfcity-hb.org



## **Community Development Department**



## ¡La ciudad de Huntington Beach está iniciando el proceso para actualizar el Elemento de Vivienda 2021-2029!

Únase a nosotros de forma remota para conocer qué sucede cuando la ciudad actualiza su Elemento de Vivienda, por qué la ciudad debe hacerlo y qué oportunidades tienen los miembros de la comunidad para proporcionar sus comentarios.

#### La reunión virtual se enfocará en lo siguiente:

- Necesidades de vivienda y servicios dentro de Huntington Beach
- Oportunidades para proporcionar vivienda a todos los niveles de ingreso en la comunidad
- Identificar las limitaciones para la construcción y el acceso a la vivienda
- Próximas oportunidades de participación comunitaria

FECHA: Jueves, 22 de abril del 2021 a las 6 PM

LUGAR: Un enlace de Zoom estará disponible en la Actualización del Elemento de

Vivienda en la página web de la ciudad

SITIO WEB: huntingtonbeachca.gov/housingelement

Si tiene preguntas, por favor comuníquese a: housingelement@surfcity-hb.org



### **Police Department**

## **Drug Take Back Event**

The Huntington Beach Police Department will accept unwanted or unused medication on Saturday, April 24 from 10 a.m. -2 p,m. Prior to arriving, please remove the unwanted medication from its original packaging and place in a clear Ziploc bag. Needles, inhalers, syrups and ointments will not be accepted.

In 2019, the National Survey on Drug Use and Health reported that 9.7 million people misused prescription pain relievers, 4.9 million people misused prescription stimulants, and 5.9 million people misused prescriptions tranquilizer or sedatives. Unfortunately, these prescriptions are often obtained from family and friends. The Drug Take Back Event provides an opportunity for residents to safely dispose of unwanted prescribed medication to avoid misuse of the prescription.

To safely dispose of needles and/or inhalers please visit the OC Waste and Recycling website: <a href="https://oclandfills.com/hazardous-waste/medication-and-sharps-disposal">https://oclandfills.com/hazardous-waste/medication-and-sharps-disposal</a>



## **Police Department**

## **April is Autism Awareness Month**



In 2020, the Center for Disease and Control (CDC) reported that approximately 1 in 54 children in the U.S. is diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. In addition, nearly two thirds of children with autism between the ages of 6 and 15 are victims of bullying.

The Huntington Beach Police Department is committed to helping raise awareness by donating the proceeds of their Autism Awareness patches to the Autism Community in Action. If you would like to make a purchase please Venmo @HBPDdispatch. Please make your purchase private and in the note section type in your home address.

## **Police Department**

## **April is Sexual Assault Month**

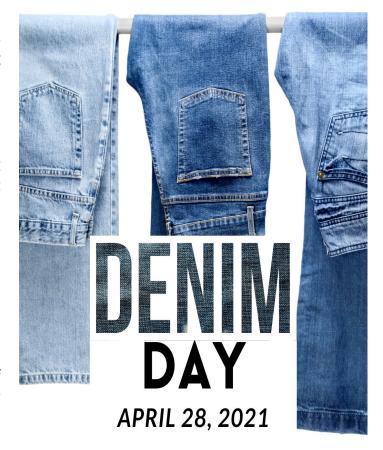
On April 28, 2021, people across the world will wear jeans or denim to support victims of sexual assault. The Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network (RAINN), reports that every 73 seconds an American is sexually assaulted and every 9 minutes, that victim is a child. Different from what people may think, men and boys are also affected by sexual violence. RAINN states that 1 in 33 American males have experience an attempted or completed rape in their lifetime.

#### **History Behind Denim Day**

In the early 1990s, an 18-year-old girl was sexually assaulted by her 45-year-old driving instructor in Italy. After pressing charges, the Italian Supreme Court decided to overturn the charges based on the argument that "the victim wore very tight jeans; she had to have helped him remove [them]." The following day, the women in the Italian Parliament came to work wearing jeans in solidarity with the victim.

Now every year during Sexual Assault Awareness month, millions of people across the nation show their solidarity for this injustice by wearing denim (<u>denimdayinfo.org</u>).

If you or someone you know is a victim of sexual assault, please contact the police or call the national emergency hotline: 1-800-656-HOPE (4673).



### **Fire Department**

## **A Timely Assistance**



Beverly, with Fire Inspector Ruben Solorzano, Fire Marshal Janice Van Mullem, and Administrative Secretary Beth Davis, who took the original phone call from Beverly and recognized the immediate need for help.

The Huntington Beach Fire Department was recently contacted by Beverly, a senior resident who was extremely concerned about her safety should a fire occur in her community. Since she needed assistance with fire safety, Fire Inspector Ruben Solorzano met her at her residence.

Ruben noted Beverly had properly replaced her non-working smoke detectors and proceeded to show where the new smoke detectors should be placed. He also recommended a combination carbon monoxide/smoke detector alarm for her hallway, due to the close proximity to the furnace and water heater. Ruben showed her the escape routes from the first and second floors should she need to evacuate her residence. Most importantly, he reminded her to call 911 as soon as possible if a fire occurs.

No one knew that the timing of this meeting would be critical for her safety. Incredibly, three days later, her next door neighbor had a large fire at their residence, which shares a common wall with her home. The knowledge that Beverly learned from Ruben, and the fire safety efforts that she made at her residence, ensured her safety. The Huntington Beach Fire Department quickly responded to the fire and contained it to the single residence. Ruben also responded to the fire and met Beverly outside her home, and she was appreciative of his visit and the quick emergency response.

## **Fire Department**

#### **Check Your Fire and Carbon Monoxide Detectors**

Are your smoke detectors properly functioning and placed in critical locations? Smoke detector information may be found on the <u>Huntington Beach Fire Department's</u> Safety Tips page.

Carbon monoxide detectors are also important for your residence, and information may be found at the link above.

Did you know that senior citizens can have a free fire safety home inspection? Project SHIP, the Senior Home Inspection Program, is sponsored by the Huntington Beach Fire Department in coalition with Seniors' Outreach, but is currently on hold due to COVID-19.



SHIP volunteers conduct free home fire safety inspections for seniors who are at least 60 years old and a resident of Huntington Beach. The fire safety inspection includes installation of a free smoke detector and a carbon monoxide detector (while supplies last). When the COVID-19 protocols are lifted, fire safety inspections will resume.

For more information, please visit: <a href="www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/">www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/departments/</a> fire/fire prevention code enforcement/ship/.

## **Art Center Design Competition**



Judith Hendler invited fashion students and Huntington Beach Art Center members to create the unisex "Cocoon Cloak." Answering the base needs of self-expression and protection from the elements on the human form, the competition is inspired by traditional multifunctional garments like the Caftan, Tunic, and Poncho. Participants created a garment that embodies the ethos of sustainable design: re-use, recycle, upcycle.

The 2021 Judith Hendler Design Competition will be on view from May 1 to June 12 through reservations. Reservations can be made starting April 16 at www.huntingtonbeachartcenter.org or by phone at (714) 374-1650.

## **Adult Arena Soccer Sign-Ups**



The City of Huntington Beach Community Services Department offers year-round adult arena soccer leagues at the award-winning Central Park Sports Complex. Games will be played on artificial sports turf under the lights beginning the week of April 26, 2021. Team registration costs are \$400 per eight-week season plus referee fees (\$20) per game paid directly to the official by each team. League play will be 6 v 6 including the goalie. Men's leagues are offered on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (Rec 28 plus) with co-ed leagues offered on Tuesday and Friday. All teams must have uniforms with numbers.

Registration packets are available at City Hall, on the City's website, or by mail. For league information or to be placed on the individual players list, please call (714) 536-5486. The deadline to turn in team registration to City Hall is April 19.

#### **Administrative Services News**



On March 29, the Community and Library Services Department and the Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library Support Group generously donated two book carts and 200 books to the new Navigation Center at 17642 Beach Blvd. The Navigation Center opened its doors in December 2020, and currently shelters up to 174 homeless adults and couples, providing access to vital services that will help them on the path towards housing security. These books are for the benefit of all the residents at the Huntington Beach Navigation Center. Thank you to all the volunteers and staff who worked on this team effort.



The Central Library, with the assistance of the Public Library Association (PLA), will participate in the PLA's \$3,500 Inclusive Internship Initiative (III)



grant, which runs from June to September. This internship is intended for teenaged students from diverse backgrounds to both familiarize them with a career in librarianship and strengthen their leadership skills.

By the end of May, the library hopes to interview and hire an intern to work with their Teen Librarian, Christany Edwards, on a community-based learning project of their choice. Beginning June 21 after a virtual Kickoff Event for all the mentors and interns across the country, the Central Library's intern will work 35 hours per week for the next 10 weeks, either from home or at the library. On September 26, the teen will present their project and findings with all of the other interns during a virtual Wrap-Up Conference. The Central Library is looking forward to supporting the growth of HB teens with this new internship opportunity!

## **Branch Library Events**

The Oak View branch library was fortunate enough to receive a Technology Grant for Youth Programming from the California State Library. The \$12,000 grant will provide Oak View tweens, ages 8-12, with iPads, books and activity kits for use in three different programs



over the summer. The Wise Owl Reading Buddies program provides book buddies for students who need help with their reading skills, and the Wise Owl Tween Book Club will feature newly purchased books and an author visit with graphic novelist Chad Sells. A partnership with the HB Art Center will celebrate Arts & Crafts from around the Colorful World with both materials and instruction to explore the different art mediums used in cultures around the world. The Library would like to extend sincere thanks to the California State Library for this generous grant.

## **Youth Services Department – Children's Events**



Beginning on April 19, children can participate in the OC Fair's virtual **Imaginology Adventure Hunt**, which features a stop at the HB Central Library! This outdoor adventure is an active and family-friendly activity that exercises both the mind and body. Using GPS and QR code technology, players will navigate their way to designated marker points hidden in Orange County. The activity runs for seven days, from April 19 to 25. To register, visit <a href="https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7659221/">https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7659221/</a>.



Tickets for the annual **Fancy Nancy Tea Party** will go on sale online starting Saturday, April 24 at 9 a.m. The party will be "socially-distanced" with To-Go Kits for kids and their families to enjoy, including supplies for a pearl charm bracelet craft, snacks, an under-the-sea bingo game, plus a pirate scavenger hunt! Celebrate Jane O'Connor's beloved Fancy Nancy picture book series and dive into a mermaid adventure! Kits are \$10 each, and each will serve two people. Quantities are limited. For more information, please visit the event page at <a href="https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7659388">https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7659388</a>.

#### Oak View Branch

In honor of Children's Day, and the importance of literacy for children of all linguistic and cultural backgrounds, the Oak View Branch library will celebrate both children and books at the Día de los niños/Día de los libros event on April 30. From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., children are invited to a special Sidewalk Service session where they can pick up a Día Celebration Bag that includes a fun children's activity, an invitation to join a Zoom-based game of Children's Book Bingo, as well as other surprises!

Bag quantities are limited, and will be given out on a first come, first served basis. Bags are limited to one per child. For more information, please call the Oak View Branch at (714) 375-5068.



## **Adult Services Department Programs**

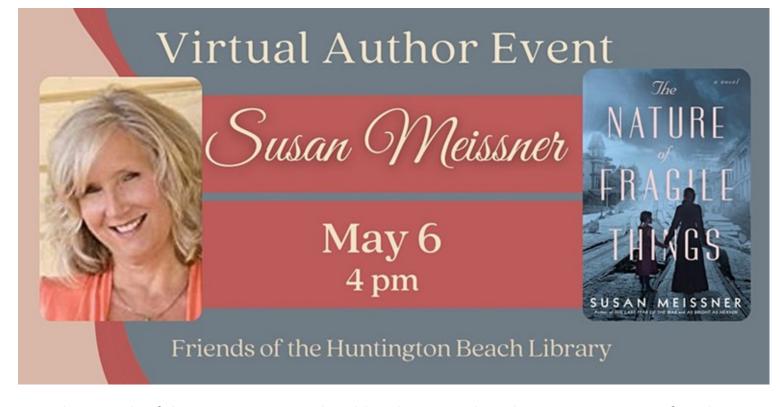


The next Virtual Cooking Live session will take place via Zoom on Thursday, April 22, 2021 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Celebrate spring and join Adult Services Librarian Summer at this virtual cooking event.

A simple recipe will be chosen from one of the library's many e-cookbooks. Once registered, participants will be sent the list of ingredients and book title that they can check out online via Hoopla, one of the library's digital e-book services. Please have all the ingredients and equipment ready before the presentation goes live, and rest assured -- this recipe will not require any advanced cooking techniques or expensive specialty equipment. All that's needed is a taste for culinary

This is an online event. The event URL will be sent to the e-mail provided during registration. Click here to register <a href="https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7655907">https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7655907</a>.

## **Friends of the Library Programs**



Join the Friends of the Huntington Beach Public Library on Thursday, May 6, at 4 p.m. for a live Zoom talk with historical fiction novelist Susan Meissner. Susan will be discussing her latest work, <u>The Nature of Fragile Things</u>. Set during the San Francisco earthquake in 1906, this book follows the lives of three women each affected by the devastating tragedy.

Click here to register for this free event at <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-author-event-with-susan-meissner-tickets-149084195843">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/virtual-author-event-with-susan-meissner-tickets-149084195843</a>.

## **Youth Services Department – Teen Events**





All teens are invited to join the TeenSpace for an Online Netflix Watch Party where they can view and react to the very first episode of Leigh Bardugo's Shadow and Bone trilogy! This episode will be simul-streamed on Friday, April 23 beginning at 3:30 p.m. Registration is required, and the event link will be sent to all participants on the day of the event. A Netflix account and the Netflix Party Chrome extension are both required to participate. To register, click here https://hbpl.libcal.com/event/7648192.

Love the Grishaverse? Check out our month-long Shadow & Bone Fan Art Contest, taking place during the month of April for a chance to win an awesome grand prize!

## Masks and Gloves Belong in the Trash - Not on the Ground



Face coverings, face shields and gloves, also known as PPE, continue to be an important tool for slowing the spread of COVID-19. Unfortunately, it is now increasingly common to see used masks and gloves littering our local parking lots and even worse, our beaches and waterways. Littering is *never* acceptable, but now more than ever, it is critical to dispose of trash properly.

No one should leave their used PPE on the ground, in the bushes or parking lot. Use a trash can where available, and carry a trash bag in your vehicle to use when there are no trash cans nearby. Do your part by practicing sanitary behavior and properly discarding all masks, gloves, and wipes. Please don't litter!

## **Capital Improvement Updates**

#### **UPCOMING**

#### **Fiber Optic Installations**

During the past week, a contract was approved to install fiber optic cable on Gothard Street, Garfield Avenue, and Murdy Park. A pre-construction meeting is scheduled for the project. Construction is anticipated to begin in April and extend through the summer.



#### **UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

#### **Sunset Beach Water Main Replacement**

New water line installation has been installed and is undergoing bacteriological testing on 12th and 13th street, between Pecan and Acacia Avenue. In concurrence with the testing, the alley rehabilitation work has begun with pavement removal this week. This project is scheduled to be completed in early May.



#### **Saybrook Sewer Lift Station**

The sewer lift station on Saybrook and Hiel is now under construction. Groundwater removal activities have started this week with the installation of dewatering and monitoring wells. Once the site groundwater is removed, the contractor will begin forming new concrete pump vaults. This project is scheduled to be completed Fall 2021.



#### **Zone-3 ADA Curb Ramps**

A total of 133 new ADA-compliant curb ramps have been installed to date. This project is on track to install a total of 238 new ramps in the Zone-3 maintenance area. Project completion is expected in May 2021.



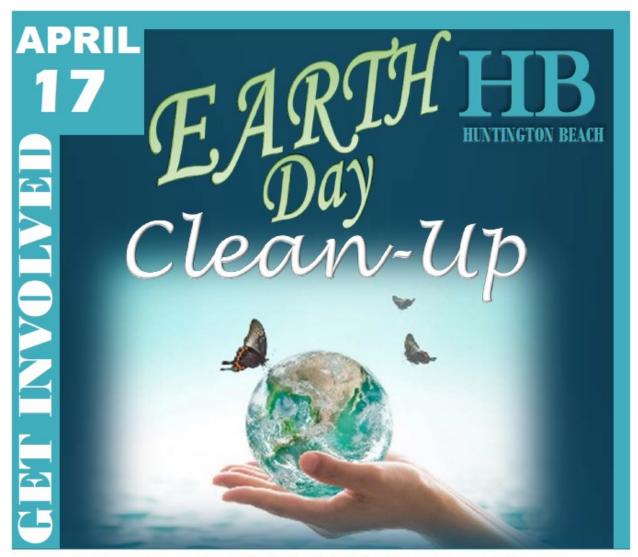
#### Arterial Rehabilitation Project – Newland, Brookhurst, Garfield, Atlanta

The contractor completed Newland Avenue tree removals and sidewalk replacements in preparation for the pavement rehabilitation. Pulverization of Newland pavement will start the week of April 12. This work will be under construction through the Summer 2021.

#### **Slater Sewer Lift Station**

This project replaces an existing outdated sewer lift station that will add reliability and capacity. The project is proceeding with sewer manhole work in the travel lanes. This project is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2021.





## Saturday, April 17, 2021 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.



## Maintenance Alert



## Talbert Channel Ocean Outlet Flood Control Maintenance/Removal of Excess Sand



#### WHAT

Crews will use large equipment to remove excess sand (up to approximately 7,000 cubic yards) from the channel outlet, as allowed through a regulatory permit.

This activity is or flood control maintenance and to allow tidal flushing of the marsh to maintain water quality and protect habitat.

Removing built-up sand minimizes potential flood risks during rain events and also maintains the natural tidal flow with the adjacent Talbert and Huntington Beach marsh area.

Sand will be placed on Huntington State Beach, with the approval of State Parks (see map below).

Biological monitors will be on site to ensure wildlife is protected at all times.

Your safety is the top priority! Large equipment will be used. Please observe all caution signs / barriers, and stay a safe distance from the work area.



#### WHERE







#### WHEN

#### **Anticipated Schedule**

Starting April 8, 2021 and continuing for 1-2 weeks

#### Working Days/Hours

Monday — Friday, 8:30 am — 4:00 pm

Exception: Emergency work may also occur on Saturday-Sunday, April 10-11 to expedite completion

Schedule is tentative and subject to change

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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- Twitter.com/ocpublicworks

To receive email updates from OC Public Works, email us at projectinfo@ocpw.ocgov.com

## The Mayor's Corner - By Kim Carr



On Sunday, April 11, Mayor Carr, along with Councilmember Natalie Moser hosted a virtual Hate Free HB rally. Those participating included:

- State Senator Tom Umberg
- State Senator Dave Min
- Assemblywoman Cottie Petrie-Norris
- Assemblywoman Janet Nguyen
- County Supervisor Katrina Foley
- Austin Mejia representing Rep. Michelle Steel
- Vashia Rhone, HB Human Relations Task Force
- Dr. Ding-Jo Currie, HB Community Leader
- Alison Edwards, OC Human Relations
- Don Han, OC Human Relations
- Cielo Chavarria, FVHS Student Leader
- Bella Brannon, OVHS Student Leader

If you were unable to catch the event, you can view the entire video on the city's YouTube channel or Facebook page. You won't want to miss our student speakers! They were amazing and incredibly inspirational.

Our next community event will be held on **Sunday, April 18 from 11 a.m. — 3 p.m. at Central Park**.

## **Community Events**



ITEMS NEEDED on

https://ghbic.org/ and https://www.justserve.org/

## CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA

## **City Hall Directory**

Helpline	(714) 536-5511
City Attorney	(714) 536-5555
City Clerk	(714) 536-5227
Passports	(714) 374-1600
City Council	(714) 536-5553
City Manager	(714) 536-5202
Community Services	(714) 536-5486
Beach Operations	(714) 536-5281
Business Development	(714) 536-5582
Finance Department	(714) 536-5630
Business Licenses	(714) 536-5267
Fire Department	(714) 536-5411
Human Resources	(714) 536-5492
Information Services	(714) 536-5515
Library Services	(714) 842-4481
Community Development	(714) 536-5271
Code Enforcement	(714) 375-5155
Police Department	(714) 960-8811
Public Works	(714) 536-5431
Graffiti Removal	(714) 960-8861



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